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Dear Mr. Freeman:

The California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal/EPA), Office of Emergency Services, Office of the State Fire Marshal, Department of Toxic Substances Control, and the State Water Resources Control Board conducted a program evaluation of the County of Los Angeles Fire Department Health Hazardous Materials Division Certified Unified Program Agency (LACoCUPA) on March 28 and 29, 2007. The evaluation consisted of a review of program elements, an in-office program review and field oversight inspections. The State evaluators completed a Certified Unified Program Agency Evaluation Summary of Findings with your agency's program management staff, which includes identified deficiencies, with preliminary corrective actions and timeframes, program observations and recommendations, and examples of outstanding program implementation.

Cal/EPA has received documentation of corrective actions taken by LACoCUPA for the deficiencies found during the evaluation process. After reviewing the Evaluation Summary of Findings and the documentation of corrective actions, Cal/EPA finds that all deficiencies noted in the Evaluation Summary of Findings have been corrected.

Cal/EPA appreciates the actions taken by LACoCUPA. Based on these corrections, Cal/EPA has modified LACoCUPA's rating on the evaluation from satisfactory with some improvement needed to meets program performance standards.

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Thank you for your continued commitment to the protection of public health and the environment. If you have any questions or need further assistance, you may contact Jim Bohon, Manager, Cal/EPA Unified Program at (916) 327-5097 or [jbohon@calepa.ca.gov](mailto:jbohon@calepa.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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